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PLASTIC AND A METAL

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, of the substitute specification with the following paragraph:

Cross Reference to Related Application

This Utility Patent Application claims the benefit of the filing date of German Application No. DE 103 48 715.8, October 16, 2003, and International Application No.PCT/DE2004/002199, filed October 1, 2004, both of which are herein incorporated by reference.